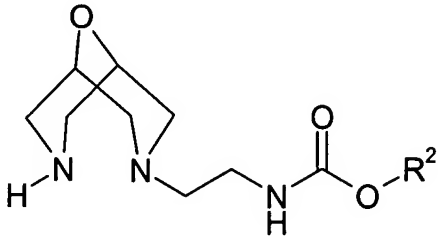
Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An acid addition salt of a compound of Formula I



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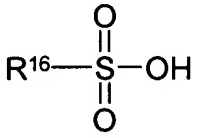
wherein R^2 represents C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted ~~and/or terminated~~ by one or more substituents selected from -OH, halo, cyano, nitro and aryl) or aryl, wherein each aryl and aryloxy group~~, unless otherwise specified,~~ is optionally substituted.

2. (currently amended) A salt according to claim 1, wherein ~~in which~~ the acid component of the acid addition salt is represented by formula A



A

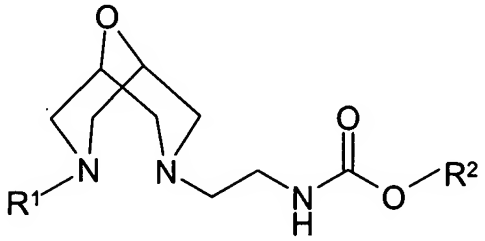
wherein R^{16} represents unsubstituted C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{1-4} perfluoroalkyl or phenyl, which latter group is optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from C_{1-6} alkyl, halo, nitro and C_{1-6} alkoxy~~, and R^2 is as defined above~~.

3. (currently amended) A salt according to claim 2, wherein the salt is a toluenesulfonate, benzenesulfonate, nosylate, brosylate, besylate or mesitylate salt.

4. (currently amended) A salt according to ~~any previous~~ claim 1, wherein ~~in which~~ the salt is in solid form.

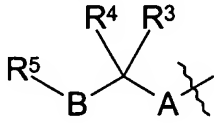
5. (currently amended) A salt according to ~~any previous~~ claim 1, wherein the salt ~~which~~ is [2-(9-oxa-3,7-diazabicyclo[3.3.1]non-3-yl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester 2,4,6-trimethylbenzenesulfonic acid.

6. (currently amended) A process for the preparation of a compound of Formula II



II

wherein R^1 represents a ~~structural fragment~~ moiety of formula Ia



Ia

~~in which~~ wherein A represents CH_2 and R^3 represents -OH or $-N(H)R^7$;

R^4 represents H, C_{1-6} alkyl or, together with R^3, represents =O;

R^5 represents phenyl or pyridyl, ~~both of which groups are~~ optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from -OH, cyano, halo, nitro, C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally terminated by $-N(H)C(O)OR^{13a}$), C_{1-6} alkoxy, $-N(R^{14a})R^{14b}$, $-C(O)R^{14c}$, $-C(O)OR^{14d}$, $-C(O)N(R^{14e})R^{14f}$, $-N(R^{14g})C(O)R^{14h}$, $-N(R^{14i})C(O)N(R^{14j})R^{14k}$, $-N(R^{14m})S(O)_2R^{13b}$, $-S(O)_2R^{13c}$ and/~~or~~ $-OS(O)_2R^{13d}$;

R^7 represents H, C_{1-6} alkyl, -E-aryl, -E-Het^1, $-C(O)R^{9a}$, $-C(O)OR^{9b}$, $-S(O)_2R^{9c}$, $-[C(O)]_pN(R^{10a})R^{10b}$ or $-C(NH)NH_2$;

R^{9a} to R^{9d} ~~independently~~ represent, independently at each occurrence ~~when used herein~~, C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted ~~and/or terminated~~ by one or more substituents selected from halo, aryl and Het^2), aryl, Het^3, or R^{9a} and R^{9d} independently represent H;

R^{10a} and R^{10b} independently represent, at each occurrence ~~when used herein~~, H or C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted ~~and/or terminated~~ by one or more substituents selected from halo, aryl and Het^4), aryl, Het^5, or together represent C_{3-6} alkylene, optionally interrupted by an O atom;

E represents, independently at each occurrence ~~when used herein~~, a direct bond or C_{1-4} alkylene;

B represents -Z-, -Z-N(R^{12})-, -N(R^{12})-Z-, -Z-S(O)$_n$- or -Z-O- (in which latter two groups, Z is attached to the carbon atom bearing R^3 and R^4);

Z represents a direct bond or C_{1-4} alkylene;

R^{11} and R^{12} independently represent H or C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{13a} to R^{13d} independently represent C_{1-6} alkyl;

R^{14a} and R^{14b} independently represent H, C_{1-6} alkyl or together represent C_{3-6} alkylene, resulting in a four- to seven-membered nitrogen-containing ring;

R^{14c} to R^{14m} independently represent H or C_{1-6} alkyl; ~~and~~

n represents 0, 1 or 2;

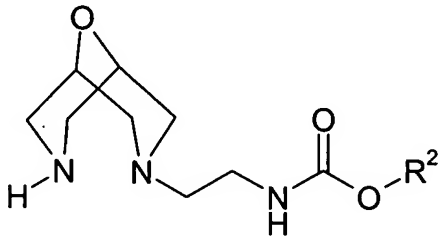
p represents 1 or 2;

Het^1 to Het^5 ~~independently~~ represent, independently at each occurrence ~~when used herein~~, five- to twelve-membered heterocyclic groups containing one or more heteroatoms selected from oxygen, nitrogen and~~/or~~ sulfur, which heterocyclic groups are optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from =O, -OH, cyano, halo, nitro, C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkoxy, aryl, aryloxy, -N(R^{15a})R^{15b}, -C(O)R^{15c}, -C(O)OR^{15d} ,-C(O)N(R^{15e})R^{15f}, -N(R^{15g})C(O)R^{15h} and -N(R^{15i})S(O)$_2R^{15j}$;

R^{15a} to R^{15j} independently represent C_{1-6} alkyl, aryl or R^{15a} to R^{15i} independently represent H; and

R^2 represents C_{1-6} alkyl (optionally substituted ~~and/or terminated~~ by one or more substituents selected from -OH, halo, cyano, nitro and aryl) or aryl, wherein each aryl and aryloxy group~~, unless otherwise specified,~~ is optionally substituted.

wherein a salt of a compound of Formula I



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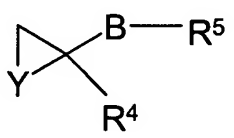
~~in which~~ wherein R^2 is as previously defined is reacted with a compound of Formula III



III

wherein Y represents O or N(R^7) and R^4, R^5, R^7 and B are as hereinbefore defined,

at a temperature in the range of 0 °C to 100 °C ~~for example at elevated temperature (e.g. 60°C to reflux)~~ in the presence of a water and in the presence of a base.

7. (currently amended) A process according to claim 6, wherein ~~in which~~ the salt has been previously isolated in solid form.

8. (currently amended) A process according to ~~either~~ claim 6 ~~or claim 7~~ for the preparation of *tert*-butyl 2-{7-[(2*S*)-3-(4-cyanophenoxy)-2-hydroxypropyl]-9-oxa-3,7-diaza-bicyclo[3.3.1]-non-3-yl}ethylcarbamate which comprises reacting a salt of [2-(9-oxa-3,7-diazabicyclo[3.3.1]non-3-yl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester with 4-[(2*S*)-oxiranylmethoxy]benzonitrile at a temperature in the range of 0 °C to 100 °C in the presence of water and in the presence of a base.

9. (currently amended) A process according to ~~any one of claims~~ claim 6, wherein ~~7 or 8 in which~~ the salt of Formula I is an isolated salt of [2-(9-oxa-3,7-diazabicyclo[3.3.1]non-3-yl)-ethyl]-carbamic acid *tert*-butyl ester ~~is used~~.

10. (currently amended) A process according to ~~either~~ claim 9, wherein the salt is the 2,4,6-trimethylbenzenesulfonic acid salt.